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Land Grant Application- Shed, Amos (Norridgewock)

Amos Shed

Lucy Crosby Shed

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I Asa Longley aged seventy four
years a Revolutionary pensioner of the United
States depose on oath and say that I was
well acquainted with Amos Shed late
of Norridgewock in the County of Somerset
formerly of Groton in Massachusetts, which
was my native place, ^{Deceased} that said Amos Shed
enlisted as a private in the Army of the
United States in the last of April or
first of May 1780 about the time that
I returned out of the army, to serve
for the term of three years, and that he
left home to join the army and I fully
believe that he served out the full term
of his enlistment until he was honorably
discharged: as I well recollect that
the town of Groton paid ^{him} a bounty in meat
stock on account of his enlistment and
service, but I am not able to state in
what regiment or division of the Massachu-
setts troops he served, but I know that he
enlisted to make up the quota required from
the town of Groton in Massachusetts. I also know that
his widow Lucy Shed ^{now} ^{lives} ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{place} ^{formerly} ^{called} ^{Groton} in Norridgewock

Asa Longley

Subscribed for June 28. 1886. Then the
within named Asa Longley personally
appeared and made oath that the within
deposition by him subscribed is just and true
Before me

Allen H. Austin Notary

Application of
Lucy Longley
widow of

Amos Shiel
Dec.

County of Green

State of

Map
to land or 30

State of Maine

Amesbury At a Probate Court
holden at Norridgewock within
and for the county of Somerset
on the first Tuesday of October in
the year of our Lord 1836

Lucey Crosby of Norridgewock
in said county, a person to the Court well
known produced satisfactory evidence that
she is the widow of Amos Shedd
late of said Norridgewock deceased
who was a soldier in the Revolutionary war
that her said husband died at said
Norridgewock on the eleventh day
of July A.D. 1799 ~

In testimony whereof I Callen
Sawtelle Register of Probate for said
county have hereunto set my hand
and the seal of said court at
Norridgewock this fourth day
of October A.D. 1836

W. Sawtelle Register

Name of
 Lucy Crosby
 widow of
 Amos Shud
 Dec 2

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Wm. L. G. 1871

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above named matter. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, &c.
 J. M. Smith

27. Mr. Nathan Adams of the firm of Adams & Co. of New York City, N.Y. 1834

Storridgewock Oct: 24, 1836
To John Hodgdon Esq
Land Agent of the State of Maine

Sir

Having made application for
land to which I supposed myself justly
entitled as the widow of Amos Shed my
late husband, under the Resolve of the
Legislature of this State of March 17, 1835
believing that my said husband served full three
years as a soldier in the Revolutionary war
But if the evidence in your office is not deemed
sufficient to support my claim to 200 acres of
land, I do, therefore, hereby relinquish that claim
and request you to send me a certificate for
Fifty dollars under the Resolve of March 24, 1836
instead of the land certificate for which I applied -

Witness Amos Shed

Lucy Crosby

Received
of the
Land Agent
of the State of
Maine

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Secretarys Office

Nov 12, 1835

I hereby certify that, from an examination of the Books and Documents, relating to military services in the War of the Revolution, which remain in this Department, it appears that the name of Amos Sheel, as a private is borne on a pay abstract of Capt Longleys Company, in Col. Rogers's Regt, where he is allowed from Sept 27th to Dec 31st 1778, three months and eight days ————— 3-8

Amos Sheel's name is borne on a pay roll of Capt John Porter's Company in Col. Cyrrius Howes Regt, where he is allowed from July 25th to Oct 30th 1780, three months & ten days ————— 3-10

Amos Sheel's name is borne on a list of the men from the County of Middlesex entitled agreeably to a Resolution of Council of the 26 Dec 1780, "When it appears he enlisted from the town of Groton, March 17th 1781, for three years,

(Signed) Edward L Briggs Secy

Land Office Dec 7 1838

The above is a true copy of an original paper filed with the declaration of Lucy Crosby, which original paper is this day delivered to attorney for the said Lucy Crosby.

Attst A Frost

Just Ld Capt

22/10/2004

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William Howard Key
Postmaster
Augusta

The first part of the paper is devoted to a
 general description of the country and the
 climate. The second part is devoted to a
 description of the people and their customs.
 The third part is devoted to a description of
 the government and the laws. The fourth part
 is devoted to a description of the commerce
 and the industry. The fifth part is devoted
 to a description of the religion and the
 superstitions. The sixth part is devoted to
 a description of the arts and the sciences.
 The seventh part is devoted to a description
 of the military and the naval forces. The
 eighth part is devoted to a description of the
 education and the literature. The ninth part
 is devoted to a description of the history and
 the events. The tenth part is devoted to a
 description of the present state of the country
 and the future prospects.

Cambridge Oct. 7, 1886

Wm Woart Esq.

D Sir

I enclose you the applications of Mrs Grosby widow of Amos Stud and Mrs McPherson widow of Douglas McPherson, both on unquestionably good for the \$50 and I think that there can be but little doubt that Mrs. Grosby's claim is good for land which she would prefer to the money but if any doubt arises so as to occasion unnecessary delay she would be content to receive the money. I sent you a Dep^y in the case in August last: and I have seen among Mr. Voss's papers evidence to substantiate Mrs McPherson's claim — If it can be decided on today I will thank you to hand the certificate to the bearer who is authorized to get the money from the Treasurer. You may send the other to me by mail —

yours truly

W Allen W

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P.S. I should be glad to have the Secretary's certificate of McPherson's service returned to me to file in the War Department to support the widow's claim for a pension. I have therefore prepared a copy for you to retain —

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Lucy Crosby
widow of Amos Shed.
March 24, 1836.

L A

Filed July 2^d 1836.

Admitted under Resolve
of March 24 1836 &

Certificate No 171 of.

Oct 29 1836 sent

W Allen J Esq by mail
Oct 31 1836

W Allen J Esq

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I personally subscribe my name (the day and year last above mentioned)

above named, and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney by her signed

before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for said County, personally appeared

the said widow, then on this

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STATE OF MAINE

James M. [unclear]

Justice of the Peace

Testimony all taken in the County of [unclear]

as he may issue to me, in virtue of a resolve of the said State, passed March 1st 1835, entitled a
Attorney for me and in my name, to receive from the Land Agent of the State of Maine, such certificate
and State of Maine, being the same person by whom the foregoing declaration was made, do hereby
of [unclear] in the County of [unclear]

I *Lucy Crosby* of *Norridgewock* in the County of *Somerset* and State of Maine, aged *Sixty three* years, do, upon oath, declare, in order to obtain the benefit of a Resolve of the Legislature of Maine, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a "Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers," that I am the widow of *Amos Shed* late of *Norridgewock* in the County of *Somerset* and State of Maine, who died at *Norridgewock* on the *Eleventh* day of *July* A. D. 1800. That I have reason to believe, and do fully believe, that my said late husband, *Amos Shed* did enlist *for the term of three years to serve as a private Soldier in the Revolutionary army and served three years as aforesaid*

I do further on oath declare that I have reason to believe, and do fully believe, that my said late husband, *Amos Shed* was at the time of his said enlistment, an inhabitant of *the town of Groton in the State of Massachusetts* and that I do know that he was at the time of his decease as aforesaid, an inhabitant of the said State of Maine, residing in *Norridgewock* aforesaid, where he had resided for *Twelve* years before his decease. That I have reason to believe, and do fully believe, that neither my said late husband, nor any one claiming under him did receive, (nor have I received since his decease,) a grant of Land, or money in lieu thereof, from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for his said service, or any other service during the Revolutionary War, and that I am therefore justly entitled to the full benefit of said Resolve.

Lucy Crosby

STATE OF MAINE.

Somerset ss.....Subscribed and sworn to this *Fifth* day of *May* 1835
BEFORE ME,
Daniel Wells Jr Justice of the Peace.

Know all Men by these Presents, That I *Lucy Crosby*
of *Norridgewock* in the County of *Somerset*
and State of Maine, being the same person by whom the foregoing declaration was made, do hereby
constitute and appoint *William Allen* of *Norridgewock* my true and lawful
Attorney for me and in my name, to receive from the Land Agent of the State of Maine, such certificate
as he may issue to me, in virtue of a Resolve of the said State, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a
"Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the
deceased Officers and Soldiers," to the benefit of which Resolve I am entitled. And my said Attorney is
hereby authorized and empowered upon the receipt of said certificate, for me and in my name, to execute
such receipt or acknowledgment therefor, as I might, were I personally present.

HEREBY ratifying and confirming whatever my said Attorney shall do by virtue hereof, Witness my
hand and seal this *Fifth* day of *May* A. D. 1835

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED
IN PRESENCE OF

Amos Shedd
Daniel Wells Jr

Lucy Crosby

STATE OF MAINE.

Somerset

ss.

Be it Known, that on this *Fifth* day of *May* 1835,
before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for said County, personally appeared *Lucy Crosby*
above named, and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney by her signed,
to be her free act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto subscribe my name the day and year last above mentioned.

Daniel Wells Jr

Justice of the Peace.

Lucy Crosby
widow of
Amos Shed
applicant for land
or money

I Lucy Crosby of Norridgewock in the county of
Somerset and State of Maine aged sixty four years do upon
oath declare in order to obtain the benefit of a Resolve of
of the Legislature of Maine passed March 7, 1835 entitled a
"Resolve in favor of certain officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary
war and the widows of deceased officers and soldiers", also the
Resolves of the Legislature additional Acts passed in 1836
that I am the widow of Amos Shed late of said Norridgewock
who died at said Norridgewock on the eleventh day of July
AD 1799. That I have reason to believe and do fully believe
that my said late husband Amos Shed did enlist as
a private in Captain Longley's company in Col: Cogswells
Regiment of the Massachusetts troops in the year 1778 for
the term of six months or to the close of that year and
that he served three months and eight days and was hon-
orably discharged on the last day of December 1778; and
that he again enlisted in 1780 in Captain Porters company
in Col: How's Regiment of the Massachusetts ^{troops} for six months
or to the close of that year; that he served under that
enlistment three months and ten days and was honorably
discharged on the 30th of October 1780; that he again
enlisted on the seventeenth of March 1781 for the term
of three years, to make up the quota from the county
of Middlebury and fully served out that enlistment
in the Massachusetts line and was honorably discharged
after the war was closed.
I do further declare on oath that I have reason
to believe, and do fully believe that my said late husband
Amos Shed was at the time of his said enlistment,
an inhabitant of Groton in Massachusetts and
that I do know that he was at the time of his decease
as aforesaid an inhabitant of the State of Maine, residing
in Norridgewock aforesaid, where he had resided for thirteen
years before his decease. That I have reason to believe
and do fully believe that neither my said late husband,
nor any one claiming under him did receive (nor have
I received since his decease) a grant of land or money
in lieu thereof, from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
for his said service, or any other service during the Revolutionary
war; and that I am then for justly entitled to the full benefit
of one of said Resolves.

Lucy Crosby

Witness Amos Shed

State of Maine
Somerset ss. Subscribed and sworn to this twenty ninth
day of September AD 1836

Before me William Allen, J. Justice of Peace

See also Longley's Deposition filed in the case
with Mr Ward last July